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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE GVN DELEGATION TO THE U.S.

1. DURING CALL ON DEPUTY ASST. SECRETARY STEARNS SEPT 4, AMB. PHUONG (ACCOMPANYING VISITING AMB. BUI DIEM) INFORMED US THAT HE PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO SAIGON ABOUT SEPT 7, RETURNING TO WASHINGTON IN ABOUT ONE WEEK'S TIME. DURING SAIGON VISIT PHUONG INDICATED HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING WITH GVN PLANS TO SEND PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO U.S. IN NEAR FUTURE TO LOBBY FOR SATISFACTORY AID BILL. BOTH PHUONG AND BUI DIEM INDICATED RESERVATIONS ABOUT A LARGE, HIGH-PROFILE DELEGATION AND VOICED PREFERENCE FOR SMALL NUMBER OF EFFECTIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO COULD DISCUSS PENDING AID LEGISLATION QUIETLY WITH KEY U.S. CONGRESSMEN. WE CONCURRED FULLY IN THIS VIEW.

2. THIS CONNECTION WE INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBLE VISIT HERE BY TRAN QUOC BUU AND OFFERED TO ASSIST IN HIS CONTACTS (BENNETT AUGUST 29 LETTER TO WENZEL REFERS). PHUONG WAS AWARE OF PROJECTED BUU VISIT BUT WAS UNCERTAIN AS TO TIMING.

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3. BUI DIEM DEPARTING FOR FRANCE SHORTLY BUT PLANS RETURN

HERE NEXT WEEK. RUSH

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